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November 1, 2005 12:31 PM

Senator Saxby Chambliss U.S. Senate 416 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Chambliss:

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Senator Christopher Bond U.S. Senate 274 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Bond:

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Senator Dick Durbin U.S. Senate 332 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Durbin:

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## Lawrence De Chick

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Senator Hillary Clinton U.S. Senate 476 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Clinton:

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# Annette Knitter

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Senator Barack Obama U.S. Senate 713 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

#### Dear Senator Obama:

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Paul Giessinger

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December 31, 2005 03:02 PM

The Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear The Federal Communications Commission:

The flat-fee Universal Service Fund proposal is unfair. I urge you to oppose this plan. I am one of the millions of consumers that will be unfairly taxed at a higher rate under the flat fee plan. The flat-fee would mean a tax hike for people like me -- consumers that use prepaid cellular phones or make few long distance calls.

I support the Keep USF Fair Coalition, and monitor this issue on their website. Stopping the flat fee tax is important to my family - not to mention my pocket book. You will hear from me again, until this issue is resolved fairly! The flat-fee is unfair, and un-American.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as high-volume residential or business customers. I urge you to reject this flat-fee proposal. Thank you.

cc: FCC Chair Kevin Martin, Congress

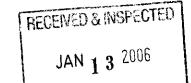
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### William Keiser

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Representative Geoff Davis U. S. House of Representatives 1514 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

#### Dear Representative Davis:

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# Radha McLean

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Senator Arlen Specter U.S. Senate 711 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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#### **Roeland Koster**

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November 1, 2005 11:18 AM

Senator Mel Martinez United States Senate 317 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

#### Dear Senator Martinez:

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## **Annette Grice**

69 Euclid Ave, Bradford, PA 16701



November 1, 2005 11:20 AM

Senator Rick Santorum U.S. Senate 511 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

#### Dear Senator Santorum:

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# **Craig Struthers**

1602 Detroit St. #5, Denver, CO 80206

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Senator Ken Salazar U.S. Senate 702 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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# John Carder

164 Newport Road, Hull, MA 02045

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Senator John Kerry U.S. Senate 304 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

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## Shawn Samuels

29 Huntsman Trail, St. Peters, MO 63376

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Senator Jim Talent U.S. Senate 493 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Sincerely,

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November 1, 2005 12:00 PM

Senator Sam Brownback U.S. Senate 303 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

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